

Wisconsin Works (W-2) Contract and Implementation (C&I) Committee

September 23, 2002

- The W-2 C&I Committee provides input and advice to the Department on matters relating to the W-2 Contract, including W-2 program implementation and procedural issues, and fiscal impact statements on proposed policies.
- The Committee consists of W-2 agency representatives selected for the W-2 contract period (currently twenty [20] representatives). The Committee includes W-2 agency representatives from each of the Milwaukee W-2 agencies and balance of state W-2 agencies, including small, urban, consortium, county and private W-2 agencies in balance of state.
- Non-members may attend all C&I Committee meetings. Twelve meetings are scheduled each calendar year (usually the third Friday of each month in Madison).
- C&I Co-chairs are a W-2 agency representative selected by the Committee members and the Director of the Bureau of Partner Services. (Current Co-chairpersons are Teresa Pierce, Workforce Connections Inc., (608)769-5602 and Nancy Buckwalter, DWS/BPS, (608)266-7160).
- The Committee is established under the W-2 Contract and the Department's Policies and Procedures.
- The Committee established subcommittees in January 2002 to report on and forward issues with recommendations to the Committee.
- Advocates and other persons who are not W-2 agency representatives, and W-2 agency representatives who are not members of the Committee, are encouraged to become members of the subcommittees. Please contact the subcommittee chairs listed below to find out more about becoming involved on a subcommittee.
- Six subcommittees have been established. The subcommittees and the chairperson selected by each subcommittee are:
 - Contract Issues (including disputes resolution, Fiscal/Contingency Fund, and other contract issues) – Ed Kamin, Kenosha County, (262)697-4664;
 - Policy (including Temporary Assistance for Needy Families [TANF] reauthorization, and other program/policy issues) – Deb Hughes, Southwest Consortium, (608)723-2136;
 - Performance Standards (including Customer Satisfaction survey and other Performance Standards issues) – Tom Prete, Forward Service Corp., (608)268-2256;
 - W-2/Income Maintenance (IM)/Child Care (CC) Coordination (including Medicaid, Food Stamps and Child Care coordination issues) – John Rathman, Outagamie County, (920)832-5187;
 - Client Assistance for Re-employment and Economic Support (CARES) Village – Liz Green, Dane County, (608)242-7463; and
 - Caseload Information (including caseload changes and other caseload information issues) – Jerry Stepaniak, MAXIMUS, (414)607-7596.
- Advocates and other persons who are not W-2 agency representatives can serve as co-chairs and/or members of subcommittees.

- Subcommittees schedule meetings by telephone conference calls or in-person. Some subcommittees meet immediately before or after the C&I Committee meetings.